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In re Patent application of : Attorney Docket No.:
Joseph M. Nichols, Jr., *et al.* : 6232-249 (190364)
Serial No.: 10/691,850 : Group Art Unit:
Filed: October 23, 2003 : 3634
For: System for Coupling Roller Shade Tubes : Examiner:
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Action mailed on August 16, 2005.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
3. Applicant is
[] a small entity - verified statement:
[] attached.
[] already filed.
[X] other than a small entity.

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a)**

I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below, with sufficient postage, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

BY

DATE:

James M. Nichols
December 14, 2005

4. Calculation of extension fee

Total Months <u>requested</u>	Fee for other than <u>small entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
[X] one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
[] two months	\$ 450.00	\$225.00
[] three months	\$ 1020.00	\$510.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on December 16, 2005.

6. Fee Payment

[X] A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for the extension.
Charge any additional fee, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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